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The German Colombian Peace Institute - CAPAZ, a Centre of Excellence in Research and Teaching, is a cooperation platform operating in Germany and Colombia and financed by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), with funds provided by the German Federal Foreign Office. The Institute stimulates the exchange of experiences and knowledge on peacebuilding through the creation of networks between universities, research centres, civil society organisations, and governmental entities that act in the territorial arena.

CAPAZ supports research, teaching, and advisory activities that create new approaches to understanding peace and conflict, transmit knowledge to society, and provide responses to the multiple challenges of a society in transition.

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## RESEARCH LINES

- 1) Peacebuilding practices
- 2) Transitional justice and human rights
- 3) Peace, conflict, and territorial reconfiguration



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## RESEARCH PROJECTS

CAPAZ supports research projects that implement an interdisciplinary approach to address peacebuilding and the dynamics of a society in transition in Colombia. The projects analyse topics such as:

- Transitional justice
- Implementation of peace in the territories
- Peace and conflict in educational policies
- Psychosocial aspects of health in vulnerable populations
- Memory construction and discourses of truth
- Peace and social inequalities
- The role of victims in peacebuilding
- The protection of social leaders and human rights defenders
- Geographical information systems for territorial reconstruction
- Differential approaches to peacebuilding
- Sustainable development and environmental peace

Thanks to the work with local communities, these projects have a direct impact on Colombia's regions, especially those most affected by the armed conflict. The projects are financed directly by CAPAZ or other sources of cooperation and implemented by CAPAZ, its founding and associate members, and other institutions or organisations.



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The CAPAZ Institute organises academic schools in Germany and Colombia, in which students from both countries, decision-makers, and civil society peacebuilders participate.

CAPAZ schools have addressed issues such as international and comparative law; territorial peace; memory, truth, and reconciliation; and peace and social inequalities.

CAPAZ also provides academic activities for the general public, in partnership with universities, research centres and groups, social organisations, and government entities, in several German and Colombian regions and cities.